

## Interview Summary

Application No.  
**09/678,580**

Applicant(s)  
**DANIEL A. JAPUNTICH ET AL.**

Examiner  
**AARON J. LEWIS**

Group Art Unit  
**3761**

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) AARON J. LEWIS

(3) JOHN G. WEISS

(2) KARL G. HANSON

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Date of Interview Apr 5, 2002

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic      b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes      e) ☐ No. If yes, brief description:

MR. HANSEN DEMONSTRATED A MODEL OF THE INSTANT APPLICATION.

Claim(s) discussed: 33-58 and 60-67

Identification of prior art discussed:

SIMPSON ET AL.; FRENCH PATENT ('475); MCKIM ('618)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

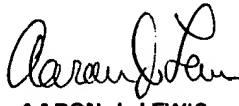
MR. WEISS (SPE) INDICATED THAT THE PROPRIETY OF THE COMBINATION OF PRIOR ART TO SIMPSON ET AL. AND FRENCH PATENT ('475) IS NOT PROPER. THEREFORE, FINALITY OF THE OFFICE ACTION (1/02/2002) WILL BE WITHDRAWN AND PROSECUTION WILL BE REOPENED.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

  
**AARON J. LEWIS**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**  
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